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Application No. 09/762,724

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For: IDENTIFICATION OF A REGION OF THE MAJOR SURFACE GLYCOPROTEIN (MSG)

GENE OF HUMAN PNEUMOCYSTIS CARINII

Examiner: Jeanine Anne Goldberg

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Mult. Dep. Claims Fee (if not previously paid)					\$280.00		
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- A Marked-up Version of Amended Specification and Claims Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.121(b)-(c) is attached.
- Please return the enclosed postcard to confirm that the items listed above have been received.

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This is filed in response to the Restriction Requirement dated January 29, 2002. This response is being filed within one month from the mailing of the restriction requirement, and therefore no extension fee is required.

Applicants elect Examiner's Group I (methods of detecting the presence of P. carinii), and if required provisionally elect sequence species SEQ ID NO: 13, with traverse. Applicants request that the Examiner consider the following amendments and remarks and withdraw or modify the requirement for species election.

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph at page 2, line 37 through page 3, line 13 with the following:

This invention encompasses the nurified novel human-P. carinii proteins represented by SEQ ID NO: 2, SEQ ID NO: 4, SEQ ID NO: 6, SEQ ID NO: 8, SEQ ID NO: 10, SEQ ID NO: 12, and SEQ ID NO: 14, and isolated nucle/c acid molecules that encode these proteins. Specific nucleic acid molecules encompassed in this invention include those represented in SEQ ID NO: 1; SEQ ID NO: 2; SEQ ID NO: 3; SEQ ID NO: 4, SEQ ID NO: 5; SEQ ID NO: 6, SEQ ID NO: